

The Source NC E-Procurement Newsletter

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NC E-Procurement Team to Attend ACCBO Conference The NC E-Procurement Team will be at the <u>Association of Community</u> <u>College Business Office Professionals (ACCBO) Conference</u>, May 18-20, 2015. NC E-Procurement Team Members will be presenting two sessions, one focusing on eQuote functionality and another highlighting the use of approval flows.

Members of the NC E-Procurement Team will also be on hand in the exhibition area of the conference to answer any questions you may have. Be sure to stop by and visit!

Punchout Catalog Monitoring Tool As a reminder to all NC E-Procurement users, the Division of Purchase & Contract has implemented an enhancement to enable systematic monitoring of punchout catalog items. This update provides Contract Administrators with the Division of Purchase & Contract and the Statewide IT Procurement Office with a tool to monitor the prices of items that are available on each vendor's punchout catalog.

When an item is found to have a discrepancy between the punchout catalog price and the approved contract price, a contract-specific Contract Administrator approval group may appear in the approval flow as a watcher. The approval flow will be affected only during the creation of an initial eRequisition or when a new punchout item has been added to a change order.

Additionally, a warning message will appear at the top of the 'Summary' page. Please note this warning message will not prevent an eRequisition from being submitted or approved.

Delegate Approval Authority over Summer Vacations When an approver of eRequisitions will be out of the office for an extended period of time – due to holidays, vacation, medical leave, etc. – it is important to delegate approval authority to another user so the entity can continue to make purchases in the approver's absence.

Instructions for delegating approval authority may be found on the NC E-Procurement Home Page here.

Before You Leave When a user is leaving their current position and will no longer use NC E-Procurement, that user's profile will need to be deleted from NC E-Procurement. A user cannot be deleted until all of their outstanding items are resolved. As such, before a user leaves, please confirm they have completed the following actions for eRequisitions they created:

- Delete all eRequisitions in 'Composing' status
- Withdraw and delete all eRequisitions in 'Denied' or 'Submitted' status. If the items on these eRequisitions are still needed, please have another user submit a new eRequisition

For instructions on deleting user profiles, please view the 'User Maintenance' job aid on the NC E-Procurement User Training web site here.

Looking for more NC E-Procurement Tips and Tricks? All tips covered in this and previous issues of <u>The Source</u> may be found on the <u>System Tips</u> page of the NC E-Procurement web site!

Follow-Up

This newsletter was sent to all Community College users.

Questions about information covered in this Newsletter? Send an e-mail to: ephelpdesk@its.nc.gov